

Mr. Fox was informed that the claims are in condition for allowance. The only outstanding issue is Applicant's petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(3) and amendment to the first paragraph of the specification. Because patentability is not dependent upon the applications cross-referenced in the first paragraph, it was agreed that the amendment will not be entered, and the claims will be allowed. It was further agreed that if the petition is approved, a 312 amendment adding the first paragraph will be entered.



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